

Department of Agriculture and Food

LEONARD M. BLACKHAM Commissioner

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Your property has been scheduled for insecticide treatment - SOIL

The insecticide Merit® 2F, containing the active ingredient imidacloprid, will be applied to all turf and planting beds to control Japanese beetle larvae in the soil. Please be sure to follow all the <u>Before and After</u> treatment steps.

Application Date:	Approximate Time: MORNING	AFTERNOON
Applicator: TruGreen Chemlawn		

You do not have to be present during the treatment as long as the applicators have access to your property, including the backyard, and you have made arrangements for all family members, including pets, to be out of the yard until reentry is possible.

Before Treatment

Move all items i.e. lawn furniture, children's and pet's toys, pet food and water dishes indoors or to a garage or driveway before application. Large, stationary or fixed items should be covered with a large garbage bag or inexpensive disposable plastic painting drop cloth. Exposed items should be washed with soap and water after application. Wear chemically resistant gloves.

Thoroughly and securely cover any water feature that contains fish or other aquatic animals.

Keep family members and pets indoors during the application on your property and until the After Treatment steps have been completed.

After Treatment

WATER THE INSECTICIDE INTO THE LAWN.

Apply about $\frac{1}{4}$ inch of water (approximately 15 minutes) to move the Merit® 2F through the grass thatch and into the soil as soon as possible.

Wait until the grass and foliage have dried after watering before allowing family and pets in your yard.

Carefully dispose of any tarp material. Wear chemically resistant gloves.

Encourage careful hand washing.

Avoid contact with the wet Merit® mixture on you skin and eyes. If skin contact is made, wash the affected area thoroughly with soap and water and rinse for 15 minutes. If the material should get into your eyes, flush gently with water for 15 to 20 minutes. If irritation persists, get medical attention or call the poison control center (1-800-222-1222.)

For further information, please call (801) 538-7100 or (801) 538-4912 or visit http://ag.utah.gov/pressrel/JBMeetings.html.